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James T. Vaughn Correctional Center Honored
By the National Association of Social Workers - Delaware Chapter
Facility selected as organization's Social Work Agency of the Year

James T. Vaughn Correctional Center near Smyrna, in recognition of the facility's Treatment Department that provides services to a diverse population of male offenders, has been selected as Social Work Agency of the Year by Delaware's chapter of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW). The award will be presented to facility staff on Thursday, March 21, during an NASW ceremony in Dover.

This facility accolade follows Master Correctional Counselor Leona Minor being named NASW's Social Worker of the Year for 2012.

The NASW Agency of the Year accolade is the chapter's highest honor and it recognizes a human services organization that exhibits the values, ethics and principles of the NASW and the social work profession. Vaughn staff attains these standards through their overall support to the clients they serve with incarceration and rehabilitation programs that address societal and offender's needs.

Facility treatment staff empowers their clients by presenting treatment programs that prepare the clients to live well in the institution and in the community upon release. These programs provide mental health treatment through psychotherapy, educational opportunities, vocational training, work assignments, spiritual/religious programs and a variety of other classes and programming.

JTVCC staff is also active in building relationships with outside agencies, such as the Departments of Labor, Education, Health and Social Services, and the Delaware State Housing Authority, as well as Connections and Delaware Center for Justice, to continue working with individuals as they re-enter into the community.

Additionally, the Vaughn Correctional Center has served as a medium to provide training and practicum services to institutions of higher education in the State of Delaware for more than 15 years. The facility is currently offering social work internships for three students at Delaware State University who are pursuing a Bachelors and Master's Degree in Social Work.

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Vaughn employees being honored during Thursday night's ceremony are:

Cindy Atallian
Jessica Barton
Maleek Brown
Catherine Daramola
Daina Davis
Loretta Edwards
Kevin Fletcher
April Hall
Linwood Hancock
Stacey Hollis

Ron Hosterman
Jayme Jackson
Linda Kemp
Natasha Knight
Patricia May
Michael McMahon
Leona Minor
Claudette Pettyjohn
Perry Phelps, Warden
Ricky Porter, Sr.

Megan Radcliffe
Larry Savage
James Simms
Evelyn Stevenson
Stefanie Streets
LaTangia Sutton
Angela Williams
Tom Zanda



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